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SCIENTIFIC INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with Mr. Emilio Daddario, Director,
Office of Technology Assessment

1. On the morning of 23 October 1975, [redacted] the Director of the Office of Scientific Intelligence, and [redacted] in his role as Chairman of the Scientific Intelligence Committee, met in [redacted] office with Mr. Emilio Daddario, Director of the Office of Technology Assessment for a period of about one hour and a quarter. This was the second such meeting, the first having taken place in April 1975.

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2. Mr. Daddario started the conversation by mentioning OTA activities in the field of fisheries and other ocean related studies such as search and recovery of petroleum and sea mining. He emphasized that the major concern was to identify technologies which might improve such activities and then after considering all factors try to find a rational best choice. He stated that the possible change in the limit of coastal waters to 200 miles was a factor in their considerations.

3. Mr. Daddario then described briefly a small but important study on limited nuclear war. Specifically, his concern was how many casualties might occur during such a confrontation. [redacted] mentioned our lack of coverage of this question which Mr. Daddario said he appreciated but stated that he felt that OTA methods and procedures might be of interest to us.

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STAT 6. [] reminded Mr. Daddario briefly of the role of the STIC. In particular [] expressed concern about having proper intelligence community coverage of important areas within the life sciences. He pointed out that he wanted to be sure that the intelligence community work was being done in areas that were of high concern to the nation. He solicited Mr. Daddario's cooperation in helping to identify areas where increased or decreased intelligence activities should take place. When asked for a few examples, STAT [] mentioned food technology, including fisheries, and biomedicine. The tremendous breadth within these areas was recognized. Mr. Daddario was quite interested in helping to identify appropriate areas and stated that he would arrange a meeting with appropriate members of his office. Mr. Daddario said that he planned to send to us copies of the major OTA reports completed to date and offered to provide the background information on any of these articles of special interest.

7. No commitments were made to Mr. Daddario other than to have another meeting of this type in about three months.

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Chairman

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